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ACTION PLAN IN PLACE TO IMPROVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION

Milwaukee County develops plan of correction for Mental Health Complex

Milwaukee, WI – County Executive Scott Walker, Board Chairman Lee Holloway, and Supervisor Peggy A. West, Chairwoman of the County Board’s Health & Human Needs Committee, released the following joint statement regarding a corrective action plan for the Milwaukee County Mental Health Complex:

“Working with County Board leadership, the Executive branch of Milwaukee County government has developed a plan of action to make improvements within the Behavioral Health Division. A team of professionals is currently in place to determine the scope of what needs to be done and estimate potential costs associated with meeting these goals. Milwaukee County officials will be looking at financing options for these improvements, including utilizing some portion of the \$12.6 million included in County Capital funds for 2010 to upgrade our mental health facility on behalf of those in our community who are most vulnerable.

“We are working to resolve the issues identified by the State. While the State has given us an extremely difficult timeline, we are moving forward with our plan to improve the delivery of services to those with mental illness. We have a duty and responsibility to serve them to the best of our ability.”

The recommended correction plan will be presented to the County Board’s Committee on Health & Human Needs on Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 201-B of the Milwaukee County Courthouse. For a copy of the State findings and BHD responses, please visit

<http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/BehavioralHealthDivi7762.htm>.

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